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## FOOD FOR THOUGHT.

Everyone who enters upon a business counts the cost. It is his duty if he hopes to succeed. He knows that so much capital will be required, and provides for it. If he does not do so his affairs get into a tangle and bankruptcy stares him in the face. This is true of all business. Before going into a venture, say of sugar, the company issues a prospectus in which it shows how much land there is, how much water, how much the buildings and mill will cost, how many laborers will be required, how much the ruling rate of wages will be, what the cost of manager, lunas, engineers will be, what the area of the cane will be this year, next year, and so on. What is the ruling price of the product, and what are the future prospects. This prospectus is studied by the investor and he either puts in or withholds his money as the statements seem to him credible or incredible. Of course the argument might be carried on indefinitely, but at that is necessary is to lay out the principles.

Now what is true of private affairs and is true of business run for the advantage of a limited number of individuals, is also true of governments which are run for the benefit of the whole community. It requires just the same care, and just the same detail to run a government, as it does to run a sugar plantation, a coffee plantation or any legitimate business. And if there is any change proposed it should be put before the public as clearly as when the investor has a scheme put before him to induce him to put in his capital.

The Star has never been averse to city and county government. It fought the crude county bill of last session, not because it was a county bill, but because it was an unworkable document which its own projectors would have cursed had it ever had the misfortune to become law. The Republican party has never been averse to city and county government, though this charge has been falsely brought against it, but it wants city and county government of an intelligent character. It certainly was not of intelligent character when the majority of the Senate passed the bill at last session without giving to it the slightest discussion, though it was known that it was full of errors and replete with impossibilities. County and City government, per se, however, is demonstrably a proper method of government.

Now in all the discussion upon county and city government no one seems to have thought it worth while to draw up a prospectus, as it were, in order to convince the doubters. Vague generalities have been dealt in, but no one has put forth a comprehensive financial scheme. We are told that it will save money, we are told how and where we are going to save money. We are urged to accept county and city government, we are incited to vote for it, but it is all in vague terms and in glittering generalities. There is no concise statement put forward, and what we need is a concise statement. The country should take no leap in the dark. Unless we have that concise statement we may be only adding to the debt that we know not of. To get the full support of the business community and the business community only wants reason and fair dealing, there must be a concise and clear business statement on the point.

Just as in the sugar plantation we ought to know what the various buildings will cost. There are public buildings now, but will they be available for municipalities or counties. If they are not, then the cost of erecting and furnishing, including many safes for the preservation of documents, must be carefully calculated out. How many officials will be needed for each county, and what will be the cost for their salaries. What is the present tax raised in the counties when they are duly divided, and what will be the tax required to keep up the roads, the bridges, the public buildings, the schools, the court houses, the lock-ups, the countless odds and ends which go towards the necessary expenses of government. All these things can be put down in figures, and the two sides of the public ledger compared.

Again what money will the municipalities and counties be able to borrow. Public works of a permanent character should not all come upon the present generation, future generations should pay their quota as they reap the benefits. The whole theory of large public works depends upon credit. No great work could be carried out from current funds.

Let some able man or set of able business men get together and show clearly where the economy of municipal and county government lies. Let them lay a statement of the various items before the public. Let them show what the cost is now and what the cost will be in future, and there will be some tangible figures to go upon. This is the way to make city and county government go with a boom, and this is the way that the Republican party should go before the country upon this question. It would be easy for a simple individual to make up such a statement, but it would be regarded as

biased. What is wanted is an authoritative statement from authoritative people. Public business is every citizen's business, and he should understand it. Put city and county government upon a business basis in business terms, and its arguments will carry it. Have done with generalities. Convince and do not hoodwink the people.

The line of defense upon which the alleged murderer of Captain Jacobson will rely has been indicated during the preliminary examination. The excellence of Mate Meyer's course has been amply justified by the investigation.

Wilcox is not finding his campaign as easy as it was two years ago. His following is growing smaller and smaller all the time, and the days for enthusiasm are past. A waning politician is one of the most melancholy sights that one can see. Wilcox is certainly a waning politician. It is pitiful to see the old puppets of his rhetoric brought forth, and to see how stiffly they work their arms. The old followers of Wilcox want something better and more stable than dolls.

The city is full of politics, and the quid nuncs are at all the street corners button-holing, whispering and going through the regular gamut which is as old as the hills, and was in use in Athens and Corinth centuries ago, just as it is in use at Jones Cross Roads, Silkyon and other capitals today. The world grows older, fashions change, but the politician ever remains the same.

McVeigh has certainly done much to improve the condition of the Settlement on Molokai. His latest move has been to have those who commit petty offences work instead of paying fines. The result has justified the plan, and the conduct of those who were disposed to be unruly has become more circumspect. It is really remarkable how successful Mr. McVeigh has been. Before his appointment there was a continual stream of complaints. Since Mr. McVeigh took hold there have been no complaints and general satisfaction has been expressed. This shows what an important part the Superintendent fills. Upon him rather than upon any one else, falls the failure or success of what has been done or left undone.

Ping-pong has evidently established itself in high favor among our community. An immense deal of amusement is obtained from it both by the onlookers and those who engage in the game. Every part of the Islands seems to have taken up the new fad which has amused every part of the world already. Even the Boer prisoners took to ping-pong during their confinement. The history of the rise in popularity of games, and their eventual dying away would make an interesting study to some one with plenty of leisure. The amusements of the Victorian period and those of the present day have been much more sensible and healthy than those of the Georgian period. We must go back to the Elizabethan period to find healthy amusement such as we now indulge in, where the muscles as well as the mind are brought into active play.

Every now and then we have an attempt at incendiarism. It is always a pity when the rascals who make the attempt manage to escape, as they did the other morning in Chinatown. The fire bug is one of the most dangerous menaces to the community, and is very promptly handled when hands can be laid upon him on the mainland. There are two causes which lead to incendiarism. One is revenge for some fancied wrong, and this dastardly way is taken to get even with some real or fancied enemy. To this class chiefly belong the Chinese and Japanese fire bugs. The other is the hope of plunder. In the confusion of a fire, things can be stolen and the chances of discovery of the theft are minimized. The white tramp is of this class, and he is the meanest of criminals. We have a share of this gentry now, and it will bear careful and continued scrutiny.

So the Kaimiloa is once more to play a part in active service. She must have been a staunchly built craft to have been through all her vicissitudes. Originally she was built to carry bricks on the Tyne. After various adventures in Europe and about the British coasts, she was bought by Holder Bros of London and sent out to the Pacific to carry provisions and supplies for the various guano islands that they were interested in. Incidentally she was at the command of their agent, John Arundell, who travelled from island to island inspecting. In her he came to Honolulu, and King Kalakaua, who was always dreaming of yachts, got an option upon her and eventually she was bought by the government for \$12,000. She was entirely re-fitted, fitted up as a man-of-war, went to Samoa with "Admiral" Jackson in command, and a crew largely made up of Reformatory boys, and returned to go out of commission. The history of the Sar-on cruise can be found in the newspapers of the time, it was very amusing. The Inter-Island company bought her cheap, and tried to run her between here and Lahaina, but she wouldn't run. She would only drift. Since then she has been at anchor awaiting the end. The end apparently is to become an oil tank. Few vessels have a more circuitous history than the Kaimiloa.

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A second hand typewriter; must be cheap. Address R. Star.

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Weather Bureau, Punahou. 1 p. m. Wind light N. E.; weather clear. Morning minimum temperature, 74; midday maximum temperature, 84; barometer, 9 a. m., 29.88, falling, (corrected for gravity); rainfall, 24 hours ending 9 a. m., .01; dew point, 9 a. m., 67; humidity, 9 a. m., 71 per cent.

CURTIS J. LYONS, Observer.

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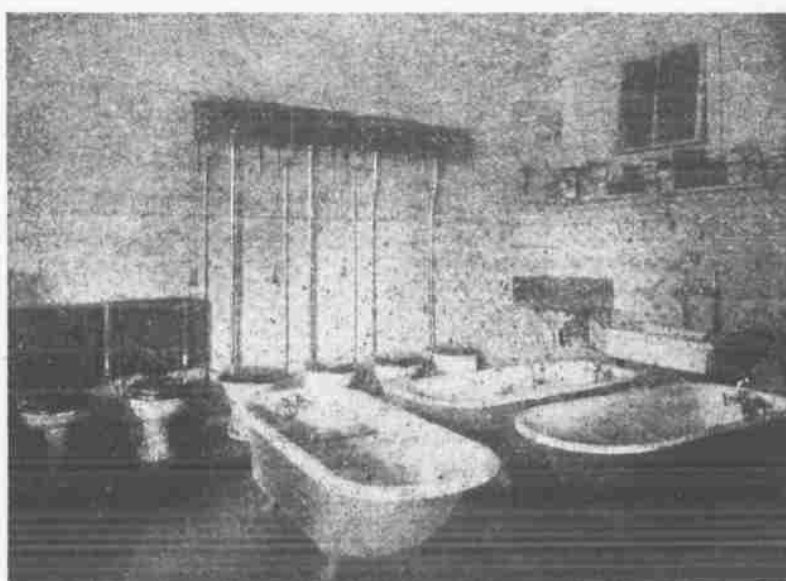
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